

UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 24, 2024

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Utah experienced cooler temperatures, along with rain and snowstorms last week as fall fieldwork wrapped up, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Topsoil moisture conditions rated adequate to surplus increased from 82 percent last week to 86 percent as of November 24. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor for November 19, drought conditions were present across more than 19 percent of the State, unchanged from last week. Abnormally dry conditions sat at 78 percent of the State, unchanged from the previous week. Moderate drought conditions sat at 18 percent of the State, unchanged from the previous week. Statewide, the fourth cutting of alfalfa hay was 92 percent complete. Winter wheat emergence was at 92 percent complete. Corn harvested for grain was 88 percent complete. Statewide, producers continued moving cattle and sheep from summer pastures, with an estimated 73 percent of cattle and calves and 71 percent of sheep and lambs off of summer grazing by week's end. Cattle and sheep receiving supplemental feed were at 35 percent complete and 34 percent, respectively. Hay and roughage supplies were reported as 2 percent short, 77 percent adequate, and 21 percent surplus, compared with 3 percent short, 76 percent adequate, and 21 percent surplus last week.

Note: This report concludes the weekly crop progress report for 2024. Next year's Utah weekly report will begin in April 2025. Monthly reports will be released for December on January 6, 2025; for January on February 3, 2025; for February on March 3, 2025; and for March on March 31, 2025. Our thanks to the weekly reporters for providing crop progress observations during the 2024 season.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS						
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Alfalfa hay	4 <i>/</i>	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	u /			
4 th cutting harvested	92	90	83	NA		
Corn						
Harvested for grain	88	86	93	87		
Winter Wheat						
Emerged	92	89	NA	NA		
Cattle and calves						
Moved from pasture	73	72	87	NA		
Receiving supplemental feed	35	38	41	54		
Sheep and lambs				_		
Moved from pasture	71	69	84	NA		
Receiving supplemental feed	34	36	39	47		

NA – not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION						
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average		
Days suitable for fieldwork	5.3	5.9	6.0	6.5		
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Very short	1			6		
Short	13	18	8	29		
Adequate	85	76	73	60		
Surplus	1	6	19	5		
Subsoil moisture						
Very short	3			12		
Short	26	17	12	30		
Adequate	70	78	71	54		
Surplus	1	5	17	4		

NA – not available

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	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range		(1 · · · · · /	U 7	(1
Very poor				11
Poor	3	6	3	24
Fair	14	21	20	34
Good	69	68	68	29
Excellent	14	5	9	2
Winter Wheat				
Very poor			2	4
Poor	1	1	11	18
Fair	3	12	38	44
Good	77	75	39	30
Excellent	19	12	10	4
Cattle and calves				
Very poor				1
Poor	1	1	1	2
Fair	1	2	6	22
Good	78	77	73	66
Excellent	20	20	20	9
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor				
Poor	1	1	1	4
Fair	3	5	9	22
Good	80	79	55	57
Excellent	16	15	35	17

NA – not available (--) – zero